

Site Inventory Form
State Historical Society of Iowa
 (November 2005)

State Inventory No. 09-00872

New Supplemental

Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 09-00962

Relationship: Contributing Noncontributing

Contributes to a potential district with yet unknown boundaries

National Register Status:(any that apply) Listed De-listed NHL DOE

9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number _____

Non-Extant (enter year) _____

1. Name of Property

historic name Bowman, J. Howard and Caroline, House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 319 2nd St. SE

city or town Waverly vicinity, county Bremer

Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name _____ Township No. _____ Range No. _____ Section _____ Quarter of Quarter _____

(If Urban) Subdivision Original Town Block(s) 16 Lot(s) Lots 5 & 6, except N 49'

3. State/Federal Agency Certification [Skip this Section]

4. National Park Service Certification [Skip this Section]

5. Classification

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

| If Non-Eligible Property | | If Eligible Property, enter number of: | |
|--------------------------|------------|--|-----------------|
| Enter number of: | | Contributing | Noncontributing |
| — | buildings | <u>1</u> | — buildings |
| — | sites | — | — sites |
| — | structures | — | — structures |
| — | objects | — | — objects |
| — | Total | <u>1</u> | — Total |

Name of related project report or multiple property study (Enter "N/A" if the property is not part of a multiple property examination).

Title Waverly's NW & SE Neighborhoods Historical & Architectural MPD Historical Architectural Data Base Number 09-028

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

01A03 Single Dwelling with attached garage

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7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

05D Queen Anne

foundation 04 Stone

walls (visible material) 05B Aluminum

roof 08A Asphalt/Shingle

other _____

Narrative Description (SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" representing your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria)

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | A | Property is associated with significant events. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | B | Property is associated with the lives of significant persons. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | C | Property has distinctive architectural characteristics. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | D | Property yields significant information in archaeology or history. |

County Bremer
City Waverly

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Criteria Considerations

- A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B Removed from its original location.
- C A birthplace or grave.
- D A cemetery.
- E A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F A commemorative property.
- G Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

02 ARCHITECTURE

Significant Dates

Construction date 1888 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovation _____

Significant Person

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

Architect/Builder

Architect _____

Builder _____

Narrative Statement of Significance (SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography See continuation sheet for citations of the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form

10. Geographic Data

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

| Zone | Easting | Northing | Zone | Easting | Northing |
|------|---------|----------|------|---------|----------|
| 1 | _____ | _____ | 2 | _____ | _____ |
| 3 | _____ | _____ | 4 | _____ | _____ |

See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments

11. Form Prepared By

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 organization for City of Waverly, Historic Preservation Commission telephone 715/469-3300
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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION (Submit the following items with the completed form)

FOR ALL PROPERTIES

- Map:** showing the property's location in a town/city or township.
- Site plan:** showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
- Photographs:** representative black and white photos. If the photos are taken as part of a survey for which the Society is to be curator of the negatives or color slides, a photo/catalog sheet needs to be included with the negatives/slides and the following needs to be provided below on this particular inventory site:

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| Roll/slide sheet # _____ | Frame/slot # _____ | Date Taken _____ |
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- See continuation sheet or attached *photo & slide catalog sheet* for list of photo roll or slide entries.
- Photos/illustrations without negatives are also in this site inventory file.

FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL

- Farmstead & District:** (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
- Barn:**
 - A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
 - A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
 - A sketch floor plan of the interior space arrangements along with the barn's exterior dimensions in feet.

State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line

Concur with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility: Yes No More Research Recommended
 This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: _____

Evaluated by (name/title): _____ Date: _____

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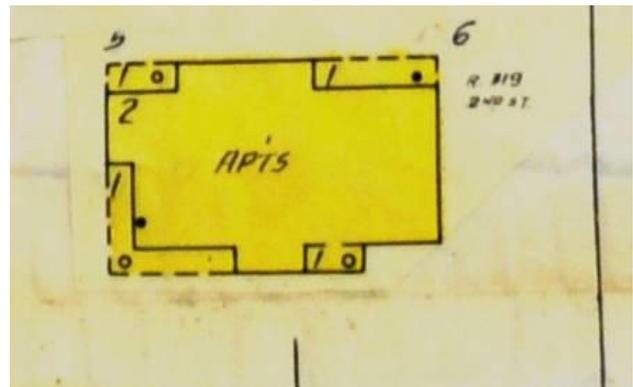
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7. Description

This single-family house is estimated to have been built in 1900 according to Bremer County Assessor records. However, newspaper accounts from 1888 indicate that the house was built by J. Howard Bowman and his wife Caroline that year. The 1899 city directory lists the family in residence and the 1913 city directory shows Caroline residing here as a widow. Property Transfer Records show J.H. Bowman acquiring Lots 5 and 6 in 1873, just a few years after Bowman opened a bank in Waverly. Based on research completed on the house previously and newspaper accounts, 1888 is the date of construction.

The Bowman House is an example of a modified Queen Anne Style house that according to historical accounts was designed by an architect "from the East." An historic photograph (see below) combined with a physical examination of the present exterior, indicates the house was originally an example of the most common Queen Anne Style form – a Hipped Roof with Lower Cross Gable type. As originally built it had four porches, including a substantial wraparound porch on the southwest corner (see 1927 Sanborn Map at right). The sole surviving porch is the small porch on the northwest corner. It retains its original spindled frieze but its deck and porch posts have been removed; concrete steps, a concrete block wall and square support posts have been installed in their place.



The house has a parged stone foundation with medium-width clapboard-style aluminum siding. The house has a rectangular-shaped plan with intersecting gable roof projecting wings and narrow eaves. A gable attic dormer located at the peak of the central hipped roof faces 2nd Street SE. It original had a semi-circular opening with a small 1/1 window flanked by decorative panels that have been covered by siding at a later date. The balance of the house retains its original 2/2 double-hung windows, single units widely spaced on each façade and projecting wing. Smaller units are in the peaks of each of the gables. A flat-roofed angular bay window group is on the north façade with 2.2 windows in each face. The house's elaborate southwest wraparound porch originally had a flat or low-pitched hipped roof, turned posts, turned spindles in the balustrade and a lattice work design for the frieze. The rear porch along the south side has been enclosed with siding walls and 1/1 window units above the closed balustrade. In ca. 1915 the house was converted into a boarding house and later into apartments.

In 1980 according to the Assessor records, a frame double-bay garage was added to the east end. It has a low-pitched side gabled roof and the door opens onto 3rd Avenue SE.

Alterations: aluminum siding (undated); garage (1980); porch removal and porch changes (undated); porch enclosure (undated); removal of the barn and custodian's house (pre-1927).

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By the late 1870s, based on J. Howard Bowman's success in banking, he and his wife Caroline owned Lots 7 and 8 in Block 17 of the Original Town Plat. Newspaper accounts show the property was held until ca. 1888 when construction began on the large family residence. By 1895 the Iowa Census shows the couple with four daughters, Jane, Anna, Margaret and Isabel, all residing in the 2nd Street residence. The house had 21 rooms and four fireplaces.

In 1911, John Bowman died. His widow held onto the property until 1915 when it was sold to Anna Ladage, a former hotel operator in Waverly. Mrs. Ladage converted the house to a boarding house and operated it successfully for 25 years. After her death the house stood empty for a time and in 1941 was sold to Fern Scully. She sold it to Margaret Mollenhoff in 1945 who resided there with two of her children on the main level. The Mollenhoffs leased rooms on the upper levels. The house was later converted to apartments and operated under the name "Darrah Apartments." In ca. 1998 the house was purchased for restoration purposes but work on the exterior has not been undertaken as of 2012.

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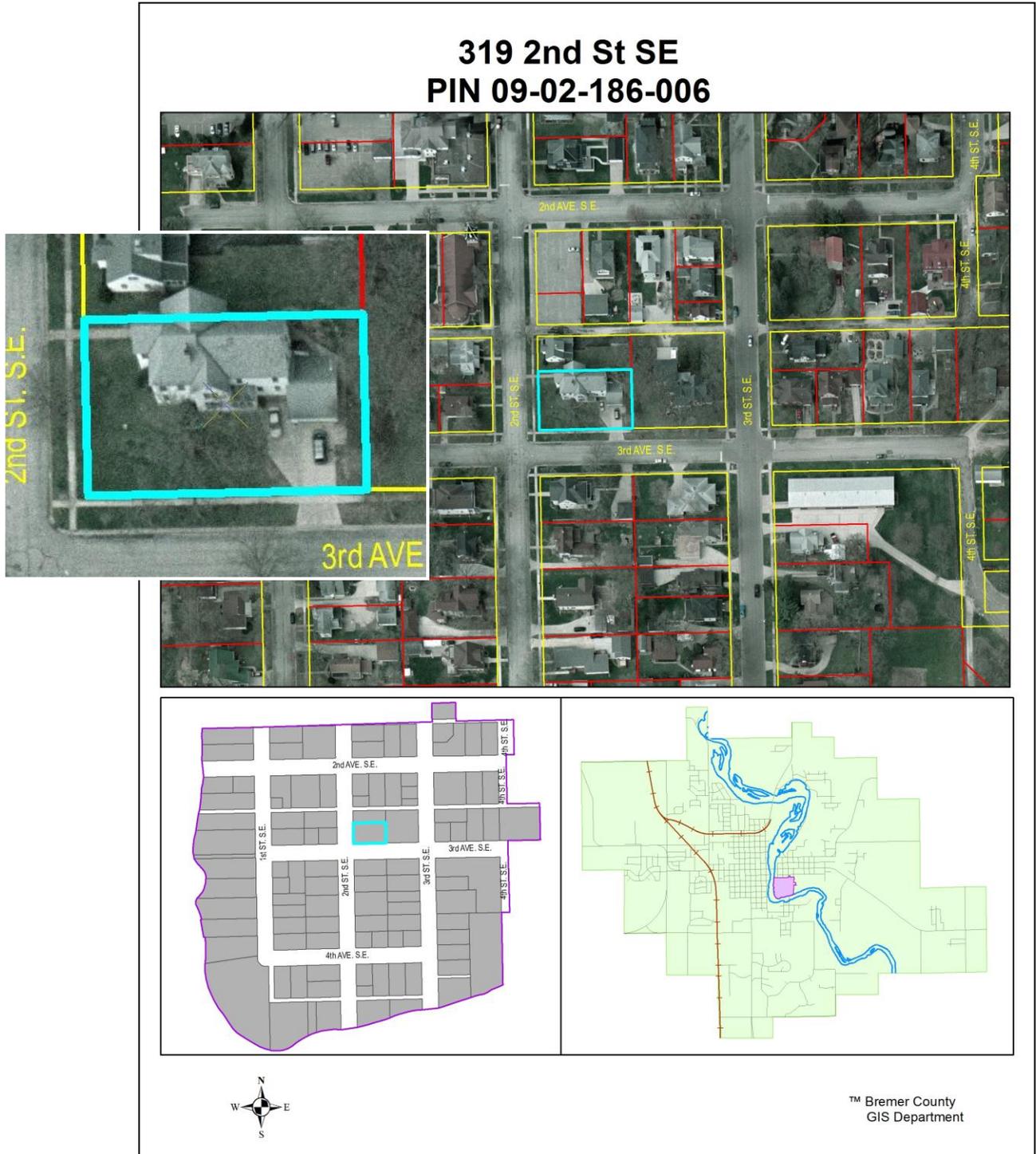
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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.



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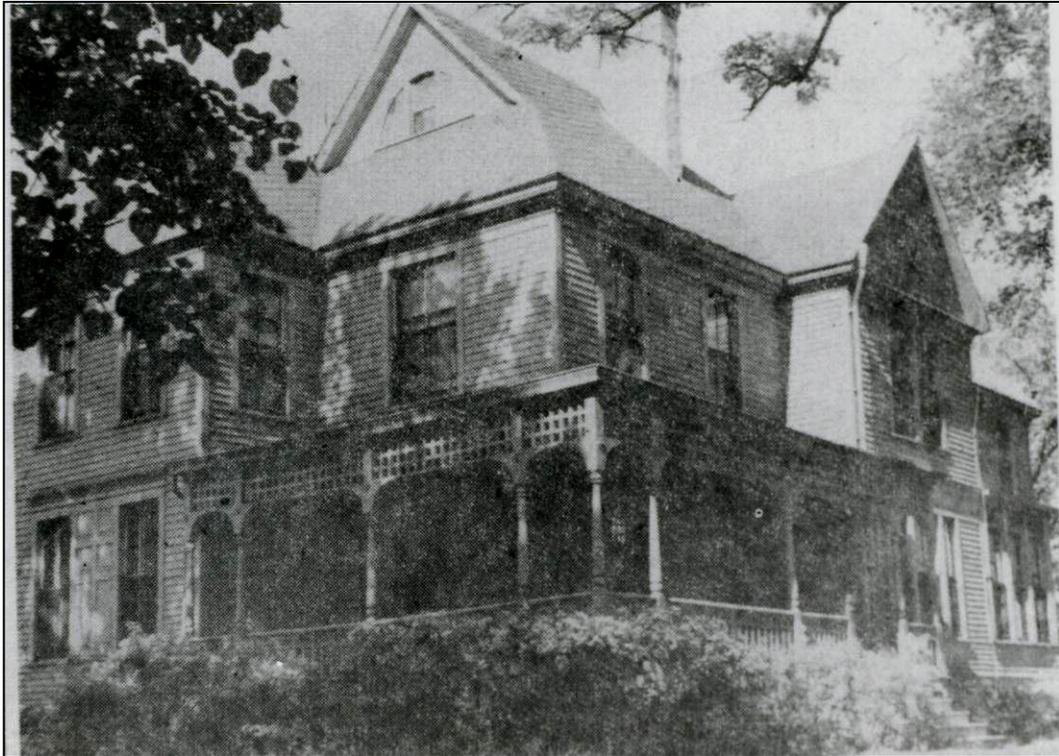
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Historic View: 391 2nd St. SE, looking northeast, newspaper article, *Waverly Democrat*, 6/9/1950.



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Photographs: 319 2nd St. SE, porch and door details, looking east, Marlys Svendsen, photographer, 11/3/2011.



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